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NOTES AND NEWS

PLEUROPHYCUS GARDNERI SETCHELL & SAUNDERS, A NEW ALGA FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.—The Laminariales have received considerable attention recently with Druehl's publications (*Can. J. Bot.* 46:539-547. 1968; *Phycologia* 9:237-247. 1970) on their distribution along the west coast of North America. In general, the Northern California Coast from Bodega Head to the Oregon border has received very little attention with the exception of Dawson's study (*Marine Algae in the vicinity of Humboldt State College, Biology Department, Humboldt State College, Arcata, Ca., 1965*). On 12 July 1971, collections of algae were made in the intertidal zone at Fort Bragg (39° 27'N, 123° 47'W) during -1.0 foot tide. One of the specimens has been deposited in the herbarium at Hopkins Marine Station. Other voucher specimens have been deposited in the Sonoma State College herbarium. At this locality, *Pleurophycus gardneri* Setchell & Saunders, heretofore known only north of Coos Bay, Oregon (43° 25'N, 124° 20'W) was collected from a large population on rocks at -1.5 foot tide level in a tide pool area. A single specimen was also collected by the author in October, 1970, from the drift at Salt Point (38° 36'N, 123° 21'W).—CHRIS K. KJELDSEN, Department of Biology, Sonoma State College, Rohnert Park, California 94928.